

Transportation Enhancement Program Sponsor Workshop Breakout Session

Financial Matters

Reimbursement Program

- Not a grant program
- Reimbursement Program 80% Federal Share 12 eligible categories
- Match Requirement 20% Local Share
- Non-profit organizations must work through local sponsor
- FIRE Report 90 day billing cycle



Reimbursement Expenditures

- Cannot reimburse for expenses generally covered under overhead – training, office supplies/equipment, computers, travel to workshops, application preparation, etc.
- Can only reimburse for eligible expenditures occurring after federal authorization secured for appropriate phase
- Eligible expenditures must be clearly marked and separated from any ineligible or non-participating charges
- Professional Services cannot use "principal" rates and non-salaried direct costs must be charged at actual cost (no mark-up eligible)
- Make sure invoices clearly identify what work was performed "what are you paying for"



Reimbursement Request Submission

- All reimbursement requests must be submitted to your VDOT District Enhancement Coordinator to verify
- Cover letter should clearly 1) state that all attached invoices have been paid and not previously submitted and 2) identify whether the request is being made for 80% reimbursement of invoice costs or 100% reimbursement of invoice costs based on approved in-kind match
- Submit copies of invoices and evidence of payment
- On invoices having multiple charges EX newspaper billing clearly mark which charges are being requested for reimbursement
- Any ineligible charges should be separated and not included in the total or clearly <u>deducted</u> from the total reimbursement amount – EX contractor invoice with new water line installation



Reimbursement Payment

- Reimbursement due to sponsor within 30 days of receipt in VDOT Central Office
- Budget for VDOT charges
- Charges for VDOT oversight may be deducted 80% directly from the grant amount and 20% from local payment
- Review examples on Pages 54 and 55 of manual



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Calculating Match

• The local match requirement is not 20% of the federal amount; but 20% of the total project cost.

For example, if you receive \$100,000 in federal funds, the match would be computed as follows:

- $$100,000 \div 0.8 = $125,000 \text{ total project cost}$
- \$125,000 \$100,000 = \$25,000 match required OR
- $$125,000 \times 20\% = $25,000 \text{ match}$

Again, the match <u>does not equal</u> 20% of the \$100,000 in federal funds



In-Kind Match

- Match Land, Donated Materials and Services, Volunteer Labor
- Expenses must otherwise be eligible for the program
- Property value must be based on the time of donation or sale.
- Only the value of property <u>needed</u> for the project can be applied to match
- Services should be for work that would otherwise be hired or contracted out – professional services – this includes administrative tasks
- All in-kind match must be documented receipts, invoices, appraisals, etc.



Documenting In-Kind Match

Land / Property – appraisal, tax assessment, sale document

Volunteer Labor – summary of time and services provided; hourly rates can be from any documented source

EX. http://independentsector.org/volunteer_time

Administrative Time – timesheets with summary and hourly rates; include the task / work being performed

Donated Service – invoice or letter with dollar amount of service

Donated Material – receipt or letter with dollar amount of material



In-Kind Match Requirements

- Property is the only match expense that can be incurred prior to obligation of the federal Enhancement funds
- In-kind expenses for <u>services</u> cannot be incurred prior to federal obligation and execution of the project agreement
- In-kind expenses for <u>construction</u> items cannot be incurred prior to federal obligation, project agreement and completion of the environmental document
- Cannot use "anticipated" expenses as in-kind match
- Un-used match expenses may be carried over for eligible costs in continuing phases
- If possible, match documentation should be submitted for review and approval prior to reimbursement request



Using In-Kind Match

 When used, in-kind match increases the value of <u>expenditures</u> and therefore the match requirement. Cash match and in-kind match amounts are not interchangeable.

For example:

- Original invoices for reimbursement = \$100,000
 Reimbursement would be \$80,000 federal with \$20,000 match
- If you want to use in-kind match, you are now adding additional expenditures and are in reality asking for reimbursement of \$125,000 in costs. This amount now requires a \$25,000 match.
 Reimbursement would be \$100,000 federal with \$25,000 match



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